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Notice of Staff Data Response & Issue Resolution Workshop for the Beacon Solar Energy Project (08-AFC-2)

The California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) staff will conduct a Data Response and Issue Resolution Workshop for the Beacon Solar Energy Project (Beacon). The purpose is to discuss the Beacon Application for Certification (AFC), responses to staff's data requests and to work toward resolving issues. All interested agencies and members of the public are invited to participate.

**TUESDAY JULY 22, 2008
1:00 to 5:00 p.m.
California City
Council Chambers – City Hall
21000 Hacienda Blvd.
California City, CA 93505
(Wheelchair Accessible)
(Map Attached)**

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Purpose

The Energy Commission staff is currently analyzing the Beacon AFC for the proposed development of the Beacon Solar Energy Project. Staff published data requests on June 16, 2008 for the following technical areas: Air Quality, Biology, Cultural Resources, Socioeconomics, Soils, Transmission System Engineering, Waste Management and Water Resources. The staff workshop will focus on the Beacon applicant's data responses and work toward resolving project issues. Following the workshop, staff will consider the comments it receives and initiate preparation of the Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA) containing a preliminary analysis of the project's environmental impacts, including recommendations for mitigation and conditions of certification.

Background

On March 14, 2008, the California Energy Commission received an AFC from Beacon Solar, LLC, a subsidiary of FPL Energy. The proposed project is a concentrated solar electric generating facility proposed on an approximately 2,012-acre site in eastern Kern County, California. The project would use parabolic trough solar thermal technology to produce electrical power using a steam turbine generator fed from a solar steam generator. The solar steam generator receives heated transfer fluid from solar thermal equipment comprised of arrays of parabolic mirrors that collect energy from the sun.

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Public Participation

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office provides the public with assistance in participating in Energy Commission activities. If you want information on how to participate in this proceeding, please contact the Public Adviser Elena Miller, at (916) 654-4489 or toll free at (800) 822-6228, by FAX at (916) 654-4493, or by e-mail at pao@energy.state.ca.us. If you have a disability and require assistance to participate, please contact Lou Quiroz at (916) 654-5146 at least five days in advance.

Questions

General information and documents on the proposed project are available on the Energy Commission's website at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/beacon/index.html>. Please direct your technical or project schedule questions to Shaelyn Strattan, Energy Commission Project Manager, at (916) 651-0966, or by email at mstratta@energy.state.ca.us. News media inquiries should be directed to the Energy Commission's Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by email at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us. The status of the proposed project, copies of notices, an electronic version of the AFC, and other relevant documents are also available on the Energy Commission's Internet web site. You can also subscribe to receive email notification of all notices at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers>.

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